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## RUSSIA TURNS DOWN US, FRENCH PROTEST

### Americans "Ignorant" On Berlin Riot Charge NEW SOVIET AIR FLIGHTS

Berlin, September 9.

The Russian authorities today rejected all Western protests against the two-day Soviet reign of terror during which they seized the Berlin City Hall, drove the City Assembly into the Western sectors, broke into military offices and arrested some 40 West sector German police.

### HK Governor In Shanghai

Shanghai, September 9.  
Sir Alexander Grantham, Governor of Hong Kong, and Lady Grantham, arrived here this evening on the first stage of a fortnight's holiday in China.

While in Shanghai, they will be the house-guests of the acting Deputy British Consul-General, Mr. M. G. Gillett.

They will leave for Peking on September 11 and are expected to return here on September 21.

Sir Alexander and Lady Grantham, whose visit is strictly private, will leave for Hong Kong on September 25. —Reuter.

## Big 4 Meet On Colonies Doubtful

London, September 9.  
Authoritative sources said today there was virtually no chance of holding a meeting of the Council of Foreign Ministers in Paris tomorrow on Italian colonies as requested by Russia.

But, they said, some sort of a meeting probably would be held on that issue before the September 15 deadline when it is supposed to go to the United Nations.

When and if a meeting is held, it will not be attended by all the Foreign Ministers themselves. The U.S. Secretary of State, Mr. George Marshall, already has said he cannot leave Washington before September 19—two days before the United Nations meets. Mr. Ernest Bevin, British Foreign Minister, will not attend such a meeting. Parliament opens next week for a short session and he must report to it on several outstanding issues before leaving for the United Nations. France does not have a Foreign Minister at the moment. It is unlikely that M. Vyacheslav Molotov, Soviet Foreign Minister, himself could get to Paris in time for the meeting on September 10 as suggested in the last Soviet Note. —United Press.

### The Weather

From a deep depression over the Gulf of Tarbagai a trough extends SW across the Eastern Sea and along the SE China Coast to the Gulf of Tonkin. Pressure remains high over Central China and to the SE of Japan but has fallen 2 in the Philippines.

Today's Forecast—Light variable winds. Weather changeable with scattered showers, chiefly during the morning. Air periods.

Yesterday's Weather—Maximum 87.7 deg. Fah. Minimum 76.7 deg. Fah. Rainfall 0.0 mm. Total since Jan. 1—1030.0 mm. Total since 70.09 in.

Readings at—

	10 a.m.	4 p.m.
Bar. at m.s.l.	1008.8	1005.7 m.b.
Rel. Humidity	78%	70-70 inches
Dew Point	78	75 deg. F.
Wind Direction	Calim	Calim
Wind Force	6	6 knots
Cloud	0-20	0-20
Temp.	82.8	82.8
Wind	3708	3708
Low	1001	1001
High	1009	1009

### Russian Flights

Meanwhile, Russian fighter planes manoeuvred over the American sector of Berlin at noon today following Soviet threats of saturation flying during the Russian seven-day manoeuvres.

White flowing vapour trails were seen high above the city. American authorities estimated the planes were flying well above the 10,000-foot control zone. Officials said there was nothing illegal about these manoeuvres as long as the planes remained over 10,000 feet.

Judging from the vapour trails at least 10 Russian planes were over the city.

The British Military Governor, General Sir Brian Robertson,

### PRINCESS BACK

Princess Margaret arrived back by air today from Holland, where she has been representing King George at the inauguration of Queen Juliana of Holland.

At her own request, the Viking aircraft in which the Princess was flying, was diverted from its route to make an air tour of the Amstelveen grounds and other battlefields of World War II in the low countries. —Reuter.

## River Vessels On Perilous Sea Trip

Quebec City, September 9.  
Forty-four men set sail from here today aboard two tiny vessels which they are sailing to their owners in China.

The three-month voyage will be broken by stop-overs in Gibraltar, through the Suez Canal to Aden, and Colombo. The final destination is Shanghai.

Most of the sea experience of the adventurous men aboard has been confined to the placid waters of the St. Lawrence River. Their vessels were constructed in shipyards near this city and were designed in such a way to permit them to navigate the winding Yangtze River in China.

The shallow draft of the vessels make the voyage perilous, but the lower decks and foredecks have been boarded up to prevent water seeping through when rough weather is encountered.

The captains of both ships are experienced seamen and anticipate the greatest difficulty will be the language since most of the crew speak only French and the captains are English-speaking.

The vessels will sail side by side to Shanghai and when they are delivered to the owners the crews will return to Quebec City to pick up two other vessels not yet completed. —United Press.

## 2 S'HA! FOREIGNERS ARRESTED FOR BLACK MART DEALINGS

Shanghai, September 9.

Major-General Chiang Ching-kuo's all-out drive to wipe out the foreign exchange black market touched two more foreign residents today when the economic investigation section of the police headquarters announced that they are handing Mr. Luigi Pirola, Italian, to a special tribunal tomorrow and detaining Mr. Morris Benavitch, well-known Shanghai-born British business man and sportsman, for questioning.

The police charged that Mr. Pirola, who came to Shanghai from Australia last year, and is a staff member of the Italian-Vespa Company, had sold drafts and cheques on his United States dollar account in the black market.

Mr. Benavitch is suspected of being the middleman in some of these transactions. The police indicated that other foreigners might be involved.

Meanwhile, the Shanghai Evening Post reported that the police have also arrested Mr. K. L. Wong, well-known local business man, for alleged complicity in black market trading in foreign exchange.

The paper said that specific charges against Mr. Wong have not been outlined, but he has been turned over to a special tribunal to face questioning by the procurator.

Mr. Wong, prominent socially in Shanghai, is connected with several local Chinese industries, including the China Portland Cement Co. and the Sun Sun department store.

The economic control authorities denied knowledge of sensational charges of secret exchange in deals amounting to US\$200,000, made by the Ta Chung Yeh

Pao, local Chinese evening paper, against Mr. Tai Min-Li, general manager of the Joint Commercial Trust and Savings Bank and former director of the Finance Ministry's currency department.

"Laughable"  
Mr. Tai himself, interviewed by reporters, described the charges as "laughable."

In the midst of excitement today over General Chiang's drive, a procession wound through the main streets of the city, carrying slogans calling for the death penalty for hoarding and black marketeers.

Led by three brass bands and escorted by bandmasters, the paraders carried with them three coffins.

Meanwhile, the Shanghai Manager of Mr. Aw Boon-haw's Tiger Balm Office was brought before economic investigators for questioning.

Mr. Tseng Yuan-kwei, the Manager, was interrogated on the raising of the price of Tiger Balm from 1.30 Gold Yuan to 1.90 contrary to law.

Mr. Tseng said he was ordered to raise the price by the Canton Head Office.

The case is being held in abeyance at present. —Reuter and United Press.

## Finns To Investigate Leakage Of Report

Helsinki, September 9.

The Finnish Foreign Office is preparing to conduct investigation to discover how the Swedish Communist organ Ny Dag obtained the secret report from Dr. J. Gripenborg (Finnish Minister in Stockholm) indicating that the United States had exercised pressure on the Swedish Government into taking more active measures against the Communists.

Publication of the report on Tuesday stunned the Finnish authorities.

A Foreign Office spokesman said that it was impossible as yet to determine who was guilty of delivering the document into the hands of Swedish Communists. It was considered unlikely that the Finnish Legation in Stockholm or any member of a foreign government had broken faith.

The investigation, it was hinted, will nevertheless, involve prying into the affairs of a number of "notable public figures."

Reds Suspected  
The Finnish organ, Aamulehti, today threw a shadow of suspicion on Communist members of a former government.

If it was a routine report it would have been distributed to members of the cabinet and certain officials. If it was extra-

## CONFUSION EXISTS ON HOTEL RATES

A suggestion that the reduced hotel rates, fixed on August 1 by the Competent Authority, Mr. P. F. J. Eardley, are still valid, aroused comment in informed circles yesterday.

Hotel managements, said the rumours, are now unwittingly breaking the law by charging the rates prevailing on July 31.

Because Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lee have withheld payment of their hotel bill for August as the charges are in dispute, the Lyton House management has threatened to evict them by 12 noon today.

Several other tenants in Lyton House also disagree with the rates charged by the management. It has been hinted that the rates charged do not conform with the rates fixed by the Quartering Authority at the beginning of August.

Records show that the reduced rates were fixed by the Competent Authority, Mr. Eardley, on August 1. They were suspended on August 3 by the Government, following a meeting between the Colonial Secretary and a deputation representing hotel managements.

The reduced rates were, however, not rescinded or suspended by the Competent Authority in whom all related powers have been invested by Government.

Charges Dispute  
Whether or not Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lee are maintaining that the amount Lyton House has charged them for August is illegal in view of the rates fixed by the Competent Authority on August 1, could not be ascertained last night.

They occupy Rooms Nos. 601, 602, and 603. The rates are HK\$8, HK\$10 and HK\$12 respectively, a day. The reduced rates fixed by the Competent Authority are HK\$6, HK\$8 and HK\$4, respectively.

Following is the correspondence between the solicitor representing Lyton House, and Mr. C. A. Sutherland Russ, Chairman of the Hong Kong and Kowloon Hotel Residents' Association representing Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lee:

Dear Sir,—The Lyton House inform me that you and your family are occupying Rooms 601, 602 and 603 in their boarding house in Midway Road on the basis of rates enclosed and hand as follows:—Room 601 at \$8 per day; Room 602 at \$10 per day; and Room 603 at \$12 per day.

These rates are merely for accommodation in furnished rooms including service and you are billed for monthly.

At the same time, you board at the hotel and also apart from regular meals, order extra food and refreshments.

From time to time, you have been dilatory in your payments and at the present moment you are in arrears in the sum of \$1,005.30 for bills rendered for the month of August apart from the current period in September.

Repeated applications have been made to you for payment without avail and my clients are reluctantly compelled to protect their interests as follows:—

(a) you are given notice that your occupation is to be terminated by Friday next, the 10th instant, inclusive. In this connection, it is to be pointed out to you that a 24 hours notice is all that is required and the longer period is given to you as a matter of grace.

(b) you are required to pay the said amount of \$1,005.30 by 12 noon on Friday next the 10th instant, and you are warned that failing such payment all further service and meals will be discontinued and you and your family will be evicted from the said rooms.

(c) in any event, subject to your payment of the aforesaid arrears and subject to your written acceptance by 5 p.m. tomorrow, the 9th instant my clients are prepared to continue to accommodate you in these rooms on the same basis, i.e., at daily rate to be billed for monthly on the condition that you keep during the whole of your occupation the sum of \$500 on deposit with my clients which deposit is not to be used in payment of bills until you fall in arrears.

This deposit is to be made with your letter of acceptance. If the deposit embarrases you financially my clients are prepared to accept your firm's guarantee of prompt payment of your bill.

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Residents Views  
—Sir—Your letter of the 8th instant written on behalf of Mr. Frank Lee has been handed to me as Chairman of the Hong Kong & Kowloon Hotel Residents' Association.

In the first place, I vigorously contest your statement that your client is entitled to dispossess my client by force or otherwise, upon 24 hours notice.

## Mr. MacDougall Acting Governor

Mr. D. M. MacDougall, Colonial Secretary, has been appointed Acting Governor of Hong Kong during Sir Alexander Grantham's absence.

Mr. K. M. A. Bernal, Deputy Colonial Secretary, has been appointed Acting Colonial Secretary.

Sir Alexander and Lady Grantham left yesterday for Peking on an unofficial visit. They are due to return on September 24.

## Britons Leaving Hyderabad

New Delhi, September 9.

The evacuation of United States and British communities with their Consuls from Hyderabad is expected to begin within 24 hours and to be completed by next Saturday, authoritative quarters said today.

The evacuees include some 30 Americans, mostly missionaries. The U.S. Consulate here said the Military Attache's aircraft will be available for evacuation work if necessary.

From Madras, it was reported that centres are being established to accommodate refugees. The American Embassy spokesman said this action was being taken "in view of the intensifying developments regarding Hyderabad."

British and American nationals living on the borders of Hyderabad and unable to reach the rendezvous for aircraft evacuation have been advised to make their way by road to the nearest Indian territory. —United Press.

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# ALLEGED ARMED THIEF AMBUSHED BY POLICE

## Magistrate Back In HK

Mr. W. H. Latimer, Kowloon First Magistrate, returned to Hong Kong by air on Wednesday afternoon and resumed his seat on the Bench yesterday, after an absence of slightly over three weeks.

Accompanied by Mrs. Latimer, Mr. Latimer left for a round trip holiday to Japan on August 17 by the Seng Tien. Due to his leave having expired, Mr. Latimer was unable to continue the return trip by sea but boarded a plane at Shanghai.

Mrs. Latimer, who is the Principal of the Chatham English School, will be back in Hong Kong some time later.

## Charged With Assault.

An apprentice's apprentice, who was at one time in such a serious condition that a dying deposition was taken from him, was in court as complainant in a charge of assault, causing grievous bodily harm, against the apprentice.

An 18-year-old apprentice of the late Cheung Shing shipyard, was bound over in the sum of \$100 for a year and ordered to pay \$50 compensation to Mok Lam his apprentice, by Mr. J. Wicks at Kowloon yesterday.

Sub-Inspector J. H. Evans said that on August 12 the boy was instructed by defendant to go and work on a ship in the harbour. Later on, he was told to work on another ship at the yards.

He told accused that he was engaged on the ship in the harbour and that he must finish that job before he could attend to the other ship. At 9:30 a.m. he was back in the yard and was standing on a plank on the side of a ship when accused went up to him and pulled him down.

Complainant got up, went in front of defendant and awaited further orders. Instead of getting any he had his arms grabbed and the next thing he knew was that he was in hospital. He underwent an operation and had his spleen removed.

Sub-Inspector J. H. Evans said that at one time, in a very critical condition and not expected to live.

Mr. Wicks: He is very lucky to be in court today.

Defendant stated that the boy got hold of a hammer and wanted to strike him with it. He wanted off the blow and gave the lad a kick.

An alleged stairway armed robber, who took a gold ring from each of two persons, was ambushed by a police party, under Detective-Sergeant Tam Chung at Clear Water Bay Road on August 25 and arrested with two revolvers, each loaded with five rounds, in his possession.

Arraigned before Mr. J. Wicks at Kowloon yesterday, Li So, 24-year-old unemployed, was committed to trial on the count of possession of two revolvers and 10 rounds of ammunition, and two counts of armed robbery.

Detective Sub-Inspector A. Leslie said that, accompanied by Detective-Corporal Chan Kam-pui, he went to the Kowloon City Police Station on the morning of August 26 and was handed the arms and ammunition.

Half an hour later, defendant brought the police to 31 Bute Street and, pointing up the stairway, said that he committed an armed robbery there on July 25. He then brought the two detectives to the Po Wing Goldsmith shop at 251 Shanghai Street and pointed out the accountant as the man to whom he had sold the ring for \$54.

After he had been brought back to the Mong Kok Police Station and charged with possession of arms and ammunition and one armed robbery, accused said DSI Leslie brought the police to the stairway of 39 Fuk Wing Street where, he said, he had committed an armed robbery on July 22.

Pointed Out Shop

Later in the same evening, accused took the detectives over to Hong Kong and pointed out the Tin Cheung Goldsmith shop at Leadenhall Terrace as the place where he sold the ring of Cheung Ho, a woman, at Fuk Wing Street.

Divisional Superintendent E. C. Lumscombe testified that Cheung Ho identified accused without hesitation at an identification parade held on the morning of August 27. The other victim, Chung Kwai-chi, admitted in evidence that she was unable to recognise the man who robbed her.

When accused was searched at the Junction of Clear Water Bay Road and Wong Tai Sin Highway on the evening of August 25, nothing was found on him, said Detective-Sergeant Tam Chung. He, however, told witness that the rafter basket he was carrying contained two revolvers and 10 rounds of ammunition which he was bringing to Hong Kong to sell.

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Many of these workers in Great Britain added Mr. Baker felt that they should go hand in hand with their fellow-workers in the Colony. He was therefore very happy to bring to the workers of Hong Kong, the fraternal greetings of Trade Unionists in Great Britain.

Mr. Baker said that the Trade Union Congress meeting in England had a representation of more than 8,000,000 workers, many of whom were extremely interested in what was going on in Hong Kong.

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Compensation Given

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The two guarantors said they thought they were responsible for the return of the lorry only and not for payment of the hire.

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Tai Wo Comprodero, Hankow Rd., Kowloon.  
Yat Cheong, Saloon St., Kowloon.  
Po Cheung Kee, Victoria St.

## Guild Meeting



Mr. Ko Cheuk-hung, Chairman of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce, is seen speaking at the inaugural meeting of the Union of Hong Kong and Kowloon Labourers General Guild, held at the Ying King Restaurant, yesterday. Right, Mr. Ken Baker, Labour Officer, is shown addressing the meeting. (China Mail Photo)



## GOV'T TO ENCOURAGE LOCAL TRADE UNIONS

It is the policy of the British Government to give every possible encouragement to the development of the Trade Union Movement in Hong Kong.

This statement was made yesterday by Mr. Ken Baker, Labour Officer, at the inaugural meeting of the Union of Hong Kong and Kowloon Labourers General Guild, at the Ying King Restaurant.

Mr. Baker said that Britain was the first of the Colonial Powers to give full opportunity for Trade Unions to function in the dependent territories.

Representatives from more than 100 labour organisations attended the meeting, which was presided over by Mr. Fung Hoi-chiu.

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## Ruling Handed Down In Key Money Case

A tenancy tribunal was entitled to take judicial notice of the fact that no premises would be available unless key money was paid. This ruling was given by Mr. Justice Reynolds yesterday in an appeal heard by him against the decision of a tenancy tribunal.

The case concerned an application for eviction made by Fu Cheng Kam-ying, a married woman living at 132 Polio Street, landlord, against her tenant Li Yuen-shum, 40 Cheung Sha Wan Road, on the ground that she required back the premises for her own occupation.

The case was heard by Mr. T. Prior. He dismissed the application on the ground that the tenant had paid key money to the landlord and the landlord was in a better position financially to make such payment.

The appeal before Mr. Justice Reynolds yesterday was against this decision.

Mr. D.A.L. Wright, counsel for the appellant landlord, said the magistrate's decision was wrong in law and was also against the weight of evidence.

Impossible To Obtain

It was wrong for the magistrate to base his decision on judicial notice of the alleged fact that it was impossible to obtain premises without payment of a large sum of money as key money.

It was also wrong for him to say that it would be less hard for the landlord to pay key money than for the tenant to do so. This should not be taken into account in deciding the question of greater hardship.

The evidence at the tribunal showed that greater hardship would be caused the landlord than the tenant.

Mr. Wright went on to say that his client was living in factory premises with her husband and nine children, as well as her eldest son's family, and three servants, making a total of 21 persons.

Unfit For Residence

The factory was not a place fit for a residence and it was sanctioned by the Commissioner of Labour on the clear understanding that alternative premises were being sought and occupation was temporary.

The factory was employing 40 persons.

It was a clear case of hardship, submitted Mr. Wright, who quoted judgments on similar cases.

The tenancy tribunal was wrong in taking into consideration the payment of key money, as both paying and receiving key money was an offence, and the case should have been decided on its merits.

Mr. B.A. Bernacchi, counsel for the respondent tenant, said there was only one type of illegal key money. New buildings or buildings extensively repaired were not governed by rent restrictions. The tribunal was obviously not referring to illegal key money.

Question Of Hardship

On the question of hardship Mr. Bernacchi submitted that this was greater on his client than on appellant.

The tribunal was guided by the principle that the landlord was a wealthy person and the tenant a poor man.

Mr. Justice Reynolds, giving judgment, said a magistrate sitting on a tenancy tribunal was entitled to take judicial notice of the fact that no premises would be available except on payment of key money.

On the question of availability of alternative accommodation to both landlord and tenant, and the cost of obtaining such accommodation by legal means, also the financial position of the landlord, he ruled that further evidence should be called.

Further hearing was adjourned until October 7.

Fined For Having Opium

A fine of \$5,000 or six months' hard labour was imposed on Wong Sze-Kwan by Mr. Blair-Kerr at Central yesterday when he was charged with possessing 80 taels of opium.

Revenue Inspector J. Redman said that the accused was a party of revenue officers and a box which defendant claimed as his property was found to have a false bottom. When the bottom was lifted out, the opium was discovered.

Lim Ah-kim was fined \$500 or three months at Central yesterday for possessing nine taels of opium on his person. The opium was found in a basket which was covered by a false bottom.

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## Sign Language Demonstration

A demonstration of the deaf and dumb sign-language was given by Miss Li in Mr. J. Wicks' court at Kowloon yesterday when she acted as "interpreter" in the case where a deaf-mute was charged with larceny.

Yip Cheuk-chen, aged 25, was alleged to have called at the Li Ying Ki watch shop at 517 Shanghai Street and, by sign language, told Li King-choi that he wanted to see one of the watches in the show window.

As soon as he was given the watch, accused ran out of the shop, followed by Li, and was arrested at Portland Street.

Through Miss Li, defendant told the court that he has no one with a moustache (father) or with long hair (mother). He was employed at the time he committed the offence. He had been in the Colony for four circles of the moon round the earth (four months).

Defendant was told by Miss Li that he would have to serve two months' hard labour (demonstrated by signs of hands being handcuffed and hit hammering at something) and then banished from Hong Kong.

Sub-inspector J. H. Evans prosecuted.

Committed On Charge Of Murder

Committal proceedings were started at the Central Magistrate's court yesterday before Mr. Hin-shing Lo against Leung Oi, aged 34, a married woman, who is charged with attempting to drown Fung Fung-ye, aged six, her daughter, with intent to murder her.

Mr. P. C. Woo was for the defendant and the case for the prosecution was conducted by Detective Inspector T. Graham.

Outlining the case, Inspector Graham said that about 3.30 p.m. on June 15, Chan Hoi-tung was walking along Connaught Road Central. He saw two persons jump off the seawall just opposite the General Post Office.

He jumped in to help someone on the sea front, who throw a rope to him, the two persons were rescued. They were defendant and her daughter.

Both were taken to the Queen Mary Hospital. The girl remained in hospital for some time.

When charged defendant made a statement that she wanted to die together with her daughter. She later made a further committal statement.

Mr. Guan-bob, medical officer at Queen Mary Hospital, said that at 4.30 p.m. on June 15 accused was brought in. She was alleged to have jumped into the harbour with her child. He found no evidence of any injury to the child. Her clothes were drenched. She was discharged when the clothes were dry.

Witness said that he also examined the girl. There were signs suggestive of her having asphyxiated through drinking some fluid. She was kept in the hospital for observation and discharged 10 days later in a good condition.

In answer to Mr. Woo's witness said that when he examined accused she was in a somewhat depressed condition.

After the hearing of evidence from other witnesses accused was committed for trial.

Water-Logged Junk Sighted

The water-logged junk reported last Tuesday to be floating in mid-ocean 10 miles East of the Ninpin Group Islands was seen by the crew of the British steamer Tainan, which arrived yesterday.

The master, Mr. O. Fox, reported that the junk was probably anchored as her position was the same as given by the steamer Sheng-king on September 4.

Mr. Weaver, master of the ARL liner President Poik which left Hong Kong for Manila last Tuesday, warned the ship of the obstruction, giving its position as 22°18' N. 114°32' E. He said in his warning that the vessel was a danger to navigation and advised navigators to watch out for the junk when in the vicinity.

The 2,000-ton steamer Tainan arrived from Swatow with 282 passengers and 201 tons of general cargo. The steamer Shengking reported seeing the junk on her arrival here from Hainan last Saturday.

Nurses Going To Denmark

Six Nursing Sisters of Queen Alexandra's Royal Naval Nursing Service, all of whom saw active service during the war, are leaving England for Denmark to study nursing there.

They go at the invitation of Copenhagen, and they have been chosen by Admiralty.

The leader is Miss K. Baker, Matron of the big Royal Naval Hospital at Haslar, Gosport. The others are Miss I.A.C. Rollin, also of Haslar, Miss P.L. Shipton, of Plymouth, Miss G.M. Arthur, of Chatham, Miss G.M. Griffith, of Dartmouth, and Miss M.E. Myers.

Miss Rollin and Miss Griffith were prisoners of war in the hands of the Japanese. They were nursing in the Naval Hospital in Hong Kong when the city was overrun.

CAUTIONED FOR FIGHTING

Cho Ying, aged 28, and Ng Kam, aged 42, both married women, were cautioned "and brought" were in the sum of \$100 for 3 months by Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central yesterday for disorderly behaviour by fighting.

Defendants "live" at 35 Connaught Road, West, third floor. First defendant claimed that she had accused her of bringing men into the house.







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## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG

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IN THE GOODS OF MA YING PIU (馬英樞) alias MA NAM YUEN (馬南源) alias MA NAM YUEN TONG (馬南通) late of No. 3 Breezy Path Victoria in the Colony of Hong Kong, Managing Director of Sincere Company, Limited, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has by virtue of Section 58 of the Probates Ordinance, 1897, made an Order limiting the time for creditors and others to send in their claims against the above estate to the 5th day of October, 1948.

All Creditors and others are accordingly hereby required to send their claims to the undersigned on or before that date.

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Australian Subscription Ponies 1948

The draw for the above will take place at the Club House, Happy Valley, at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 14th September, 1948. Prior to the draw for ponies the Stewards will select by a draw a number of names of Subscribers equal to the number of ponies available.

Subscribers so drawn will participate in the draw for the ponies and they will be notified accordingly.

By Order,  
S. A. SLEAP,  
Actg. Secretary.

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## Scandinavian Unity

Stockholm, September 9. The Foreign Ministers of Sweden, Denmark, Norway and Iceland met here yesterday for a two-day discussion primarily to prepare the Scandinavian attitude during the United Nations Assembly meeting in Paris.

Most of the delegates arrived early yesterday morning and immediately got down to work, but the first day's meeting was regarded purely routine.

Two more meetings are scheduled for today.—Reuter.

## Assisted In Stealing Bicycles

Cheung Sang, alias Ngan Chai, aged 25, unemployed, was charged before Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central yesterday with assisting an accomplice, not in custody, with the larceny of two bicycles, the property of complainant, Wong Chi Man.

He was given three months' imprisonment and ordered to be expelled.

A witness for the prosecution said that on June 25, he was accosted by defendant at 210 Main Street West, ground floor, Shaikwan, where complainant kept a bicycle shop. Cheng then asked witness to help him carry a bicycle out of the shop, while defendant himself carried one out, and rode away with it.

As witness came out of the shop with a bicycle, he was met by Cheng's accomplice, who gave him 20 cents and also rode away. Later, complainant approached witness and demanded that he explain what had happened to the bicycles. On hearing his story, complainant reported it to the police.

Defendant was arrested on Wednesday, and the two bicycles were recovered.

## SOVIET RUSSIA'S JET PLANES

London, September 9.

Soviet Russia has designed several different types of jet planes with speeds up to 550 mph, but it is not known whether any of them are yet in quantity production, the authoritative "Jane's All the World's Aircraft" said today.

The publication had illustrations and data on four primary types of war craft:

Tyushin medium-heavy bomber, driven by four gas turbine engines and having a range of 1,000-1,500 miles.

Tupolev twin-jet bomber, with maximum speed of 450 mph.

MIG-9, jet heavy fighter, powered by two gas turbines mounted side by side in the front part of the fuselage and armed with two 12.7 mm machineguns and one 30 mm cannon in the nose.

MIG research monoplane, powered by one 675 hp Ash 62 radial engine driving the propeller and with a "tail rocket booster, probably the German Walter power rocket unit."

Details and a diagram were also given of the Yak-15, powered by one Junkers engine and having a maximum speed of 550 mph.

A drawing of two unidentified models showed a twin-jet, single-engine fighter with a jet under the fuselage. It is believed to be a design by the famous team of Artem I. Mikoyan and Mikhail I. Gurevich.

### Copy Of B-29

The other model was a Russian single-engine, multi-engine research monoplane.

The publication said a "stratagem" copy of the Boeing B-29 was in production in the Soviet Union as a 72-passenger pressurized passenger transport. American B-29s were seized by the Russians when the planes were forced to land in Soviet territory during the war.

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September 7, 1948.

## RECORD BUDGET IN AUSTRALIA

Canberra, September 8.

Mr. Joseph Chifley, Australian Prime Minister, presenting a record budget of A\$511,000,000 to the House of Representatives today, warned that supply of many commodities was falling to keep pace with demand and inflationary pressure was exceedingly strong.

"We must regard with serious concern the rate at which prices and costs have risen in the past 12 months," he said.

"The United Kingdom is still, for us and many other countries, the heart and centre of the economic world. Australia's one prospect of conquering the difficulties arising from the dollar shortage rests in world recovery and, above all, in the recovery of the United Kingdom."

Mr. Chifley said that the rate of increase in civil employment showed that Australia had reached the upper limit of her present manpower resources.

He estimated revenue for 1948-49 at A\$493,000,000, leaving A\$18,000,000 to be financed by loans, and defence expenditure at A\$168,000,000 against A\$180,000,000 last year.

Mr. Chifley said that the factor which led to the decision to increase financial conditions in 1947-48 was the exceptionally large and widespread rise in incomes.

National income rose A\$27,000,000, an increase nearly twice as large and far more rapid than in 1942-43, which was the year of Australia's war effort.

The Prime Minister said that Old Age and Invalid pensions would be increased by 5/- to 42/6 supplemented by earnings of 30/- instead of 20/-.

The combined effect of pensions' increases and liberalised Means Test will permit man and wife both eligible for pensions to receive a total of 145/- weekly.

Widows' pensions were increased by 5/- to 47/6 weekly, child endowment by 2/6 to 10/- weekly and hospital benefits by 2/- to 8/- a day.—Reuter.

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"Work is known to be progressing on air-to-air rocket-propelled missiles, rocket projectiles, including the advanced V-2 type rocket piloted aircraft of the German V-1 flying bomb type and advanced missiles of subsonic category," it said.

Whether any of the new jet planes was yet in quantity production was not indicated. "Because so little information on the development of Soviet gas turbine and rocket propulsion has been released, it would be unwise to make any sweeping statements or to draw any too hard and fast conclusions."—United Press.

## Strong Earthquakes

New York, September 8.

Several American seismographs today recorded strong earthquakes approximately at 3.30 p.m. GMT and believed to be in the Pacific.

Fordham University here said that its seismograph recorded two "severe" shocks at 3.23 p.m. and 3.37 p.m. GMT, both probably in the South Pacific.

John Carroll of the University said that a "strong" quake was registered 7,500 miles away, probably centered at the Marianas.

The Tacuayana Observatory in Mexico City said that an earthquake of "moderate proportions" shook seismographs at 3.21 p.m. It said the epicentre was about 5,500 miles from Mexico City, probably in the Tonga Islands in the Pacific.—United Press.

## Russian Plan Rejected

Geneva, September 8.

A new Russian attempt to gain the United Nations recognition of the independence of the Indonesian Republic, was rejected today on technical grounds by the United Nations Committee on Non-Self-Governing Territories.

Eight nations voted against discussion of the Russian proposal, including Britain and America. The Russian delegate was alone in voting for it.

India, China, France and Egypt abstained. In the debate on the proposal Mr. B. Ghose-Rao, India, said that in view of the fluid state of affairs in Indonesia it was difficult to take a decision at this stage.—Reuter.

## Bailiff's Duties Obstructed

As they refused to co-operate with Mr. S.A. Fowler, Land Bailiff, Wong Ah-kuen and Cheng Hi-ngo were charged before J. Wicks at Kowloon yesterday with obstructing Mr. Fowler in the execution of his duties, and with occupying Crown land without a permit.

The women pleaded not guilty to the first count and guilty to the second. In extenuation, they stated that they had been in occupation for about four years.

According to Mr. Fowler, both defendants erected shacks over a manhole in the scavenging lane at Shek Kip Mei village.

A complaint was received from the Drainage Office and Mr. Fowler went to the place about a month ago and posted a notice to quit on the shacks, but no attention was paid to it.

On September 8, he went there again and tried to get the names of the owners of the two illegal buildings but defendants refused to co-operate.

Mr. Fowler said that he was not pressing the first charge but would apply for an order for the shacks to be removed, and suggested two days as the time limit.

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## BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

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### IS JUST ONE WAY RIGHT?

WE ALL HEAR plenty about the "right" way to play a hand. That there is only one strictly correct way is sound theory. But in practice we find different players with different tendencies figuring out widely different methods to seek the same goal. In addition, variations are caused by the moves made by the defenders, who themselves vary just as much as do declarers. That is why a kibitzer at a tournament, following a particular deal around the room, gets one kind of entertainment never experienced by the chap who sees a deal played only when it reaches his own pair.

S. J 8 7 0  
H. 5 5 4 2  
C. A 10 4  
S. 10 9 3  
H. A J 10  
D. K J 6 3  
C. K J 9 7  
S. A K Q 8 2  
H. K Q 7 2  
C. 6 3

(Dealer: South, North-South vulnerable.)  
South West North East  
S Pass 2 S Pass  
4 S

With the bidding identical at three tables, you might expect the play to be likewise. If so, you are plenty wrong. It began the same in all three instances, with the heart 8 to the A, the diamond A and the diamond 10 to the K. Then the three Wests all chose different leads, respectively the club 7, diamond 3 and heart 6. Now take it from there.

Where the club was returned, the A won, the spade 6 was led to the A, the heart K and Q brought club discards, the club

6 was ruffed by the spade 7, the spade 8 was led to the K, heart 7 ruffed by the spade J, diamond 2 by the spade 5, spade Q and 2 scored.

The diamond 3 return was ruffed by the spade 9 and over-ruffed by the Q, then the spade 2 led to the J, diamond 7 ruffed by the 10 and K, the diamond J dropping. Then, the spade A scored and the heart K and Q for club discards, the spade 5 led to the 8, diamond 7 cashed, then the spade 7 and club A.

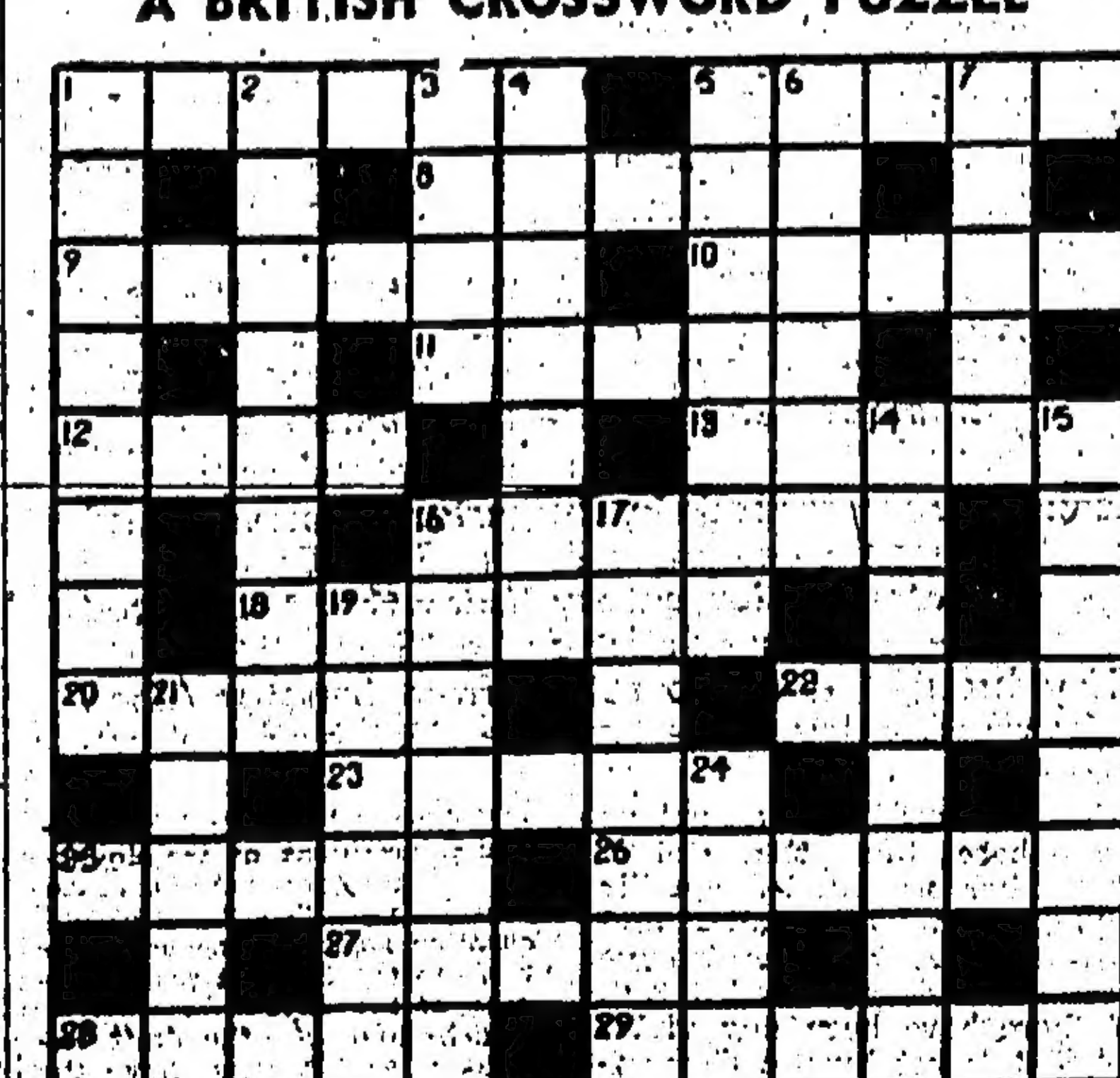
South did not let the heart 6 return run to his honours, but ruffed in dummy with the spade 8, led the diamond 5 for East to discard a heart and ruff himself with the spade 2, led the spade 5 to the J, brought out the diamond 7 for another heart discard by East and his own ruff with the spade Q, scored the spade A and K, heart K and Q and club 3 to the A and finished with the diamond 8. Note that the last trick at one table was won by the spade 2, at another by the club A, and at the third by the diamond 8.

Tomorrow's Problem  
S. Q 3  
H. A K 8 7 6 2  
D. A Q 8  
C. J 6

S. A K 6  
H. 9 5 4 3  
D. 9 4  
C. 10 8 7  
S. 10 8 7 5 4 2  
H. 10  
D. J  
C. A K Q 3 2

(Dealer: West, North-South vulnerable.)  
What would you consider perfect bidding of this rubber deal?

## A BRITISH CROSSWORD PUZZLE



### Clues Across

1 Flower  
5 Ewe  
8 Submit  
9 Palace  
10 Deadly  
11 Boundary  
12 Pen points  
13 Clapham  
14 West  
15 Cattle  
16 Collection  
17 Project  
18 Certain  
19 Cultivate  
20 Precipitous  
21 Pigment  
22 Coarsely  
23 Inexpensive  
24 Blarney  
25 Protect

### Clues Down

1 Adversary  
2 Unmarried  
3 Object  
4 of worship  
5 Mocks  
6 Shortage  
7 Elegance  
8 Frail  
9 Private  
10 Coward  
11 Cut-throat  
12 Blat  
13 Out  
14 Long for  
15 Radium  
16 Rues  
17 Tress  
18 Street

Yesterday's Crossword  
Across: 1 Doctor, 2 Pick, 3 Pool, 4 Count, 5 As, 6 As, 7 As, 8 As, 9 As, 10 As, 11 As, 12 As, 13 As, 14 As, 15 As, 16 As, 17 As, 18 As, 19 As, 20 As, 21 As, 22 As, 23 As, 24 As, 25 As, 26 As, 27 As.

Down: 1 Duck, 2 Corn, 3 Opal, 4 Rust, 5 Plastic, 6 Captain, 7 Sift, 8 Blame, 9 Palmist, 10 Blame, 11 Blame, 12 Blame, 13 Blame, 14 Blame, 15 Blame, 16 Blame, 17 Blame, 18 Blame, 19 Blame, 20 Blame, 21 Blame, 22 Blame, 23 Blame, 24 Blame, 25 Blame, 26 Blame, 27 Blame.



# NIZAM REJECTS DEMANDS

## Tension Mounting In Hyderabad Dispute

### Hong Kong Issues Warning

Manila, September 9. It was disclosed today that Mr. E. Himaworth, Hong Kong's Import and Export Superintendent, had sent a letter to the chief of the Manila Customs Patrol Service, warning against the possibility of renewed opium smuggling into the Philippines.

Mr. Himaworth wrote that large quantities of opium are being brought to Hong Kong from China, and although large seizures had been made there was no doubt some amount passed through to other world markets, including Manila.—United Press.

### He Got His Ration Card

Brunswick, September 8. "Occupation" the town clerk asked an elderly man who had called for his food ration card today.

"Ex-king," the white-haired German replied, "I used to be king of Albania."

The clerk looked at his identification papers. They gave "ex-king" as his profession.

Otto Wille, 77, then explained that he was "on the Albanian throne for five days in 1913 as 'Otto I.'"

Wille, then travelling through Albania with his troupe of carnival performers, introduced himself as a Turkish prince and he added that he was taken to the empty royal palace and crowned a few days later.

"If you don't believe it," the ex-king added, "look it up."

He got his ration card.—United Press.

## Singapore Escapee Gaoled In Swansea

Swansea, September 8. William John Hallard, who escaped from prison in Singapore in June whilst serving an eight-years' sentence, was sentenced here today to three years penal servitude for breaking and entering and larceny from licensed premises.

Defending counsel, Mr. Henry Thomas, told the Swansea quarter sessions that Hallard had committed the crime with which he is now charged to get means of existence. He had realised that he would probably be sent back to Singapore and he dreaded the thought of spending eight years in an eastern camp.

The police, in evidence, said that Scotland Yard had received a telegram from the Singapore Government stating it is not intended to take any action against Hallard who had been sentenced to eight years imprisonment on a charge of armed robbery at Singapore while a Private in the army.

A detective said that, after leaving prison in Singapore, Hallard made his way back to the home of his parents in Swansea which he reached in October.

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## Reply To Note From Governor-General

Madras, September 8. Tension in the explosive Hyderabad dispute mounted today with the Nizam's rejection of the demands that Indian Army troops be stationed in his Princely state.

The wealthy Moslem ruler of India's largest state told India's Governor General, Mr. C. Rajagopalachari, that sending of Government troops into Hyderabad "is out of the question."

An exchange of notes between the Nizam and Mr. Rajagopalachari was released last night. The Government of India had demanded that the Nizam outlaw the Razakars, his police army, and permit Indian Army troops to enter.

The Nizam has resisted previous demands that he bring his state into the Dominion of India.

"My own troops are able to safeguard the life and property of my own subjects and are fully capable of dealing with the situation," the Nizam wrote Mr. Rajagopalachari.

In response to the Governor General's suggestion that the Nizam abolish the Razakars and take over political administration himself, the Moslem ruler declared:

"I am afraid that under changed conditions it is not possible for me to bear the entire responsibility without my Government sharing it."

**No Right**

Hyderabad's Hindu Deputy Prime Minister, Mr. Pingle Venkatarama Reddy, told the State Assembly last night that India has no right to interfere in the administration of Hyderabad or send in troops.

Mr. Reddy declared "the situation in the state has on the whole remained peaceful and is

completely under control. But the tranquility of the borders is not being disturbed so much by local elements but principally by agents which have been organised into our territory from places across the border."

He added that Hyderabad had not yet received a reported ultimatum from the Indian Government.

The Prime Minister of India, Mr. Pandit Nehru, announced on Tuesday night that tank-supported Indian troops routed attacking Razakars in North Western Deccan near the Hyderabad frontier on Monday.—Associated Press.

**British Plans**

London, September 9. The British Government considered plans to evacuate Europeans from Hyderabad if that state's relations with India continue to deteriorate.

Developments were being followed closely at the Commonwealth Relations Office and it was said that prompt removal of Europeans by air if necessary is considered feasible.—Associated Press.

**Shanghai Arrests**

Shanghai, September 9. John Wei, a prominent broker, and his wife, I. Magit, a Russian, and M. T. Elzeur, a Frenchman, were indicted by a special criminal tribunal yesterday on charges of black market dealings and will soon be arraigned for trial, according to the China Press.

The tribunal did not disclose the full text of the indictment, the paper said, and remained silent on the specific charges brought against the four well-known local residents.

The indictment disclosed that the economic police had tapped the telephone line to gather sufficient evidence for the raids on the arrested persons' apartments.—Reuter.

**KASHMIR CHARGE DENIED**

Karachi, September 8. The Pakistan Defence Ministry stated today that "there is no British officer of the Pakistan Army anywhere in Kashmir."

The statement was issued after Mr. Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, Indian Prime Minister, who was asked in Parliament whether British nationals were among foreigners fighting for Pakistan in Kashmir, and replied: "Some of them, yes."—Reuter.

**ALBANIAN PROTEST**

London, September 8. An Albanian Government communique broadcast by the Albanian telegraph agency and heard in London reported today that a Greek plane dropped 12 bombs on the village of Koshoviste, in the Argirocasto district on Monday.

Three civilians were injured and two houses damaged. The communique also said that six bombs fell near a frontier guards barracks.—Associated Press.

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### Ketch Missing In Canton Area

Shanghai, September 9. The Board of Trustees disclosed here last night that a salvage ship, the Ketch Kan, is missing with her full crew in the Canton area as a result of the rough weather on the Pearl River.

The Ketch Kan, attached to the Fisheries Rehabilitation Administration's fleet in South China, was sent out of Canton to aid a grounded trawler, the "Pacific Star," at the time of its disappearance.

Official sources here said that they are still awaiting information on the number of crew which were on board the missing ship, which is feared to have foundered.—Reuter.

### Circus Ship Sunk

Cartagena, Colombia, September 8. Forty-six persons and 60 trained animals apparently perished when the circus ship, Euzerka, sank in the Caribbean Sea.

The small Honduran registry ship was caught in a tropical storm, turned over when it was struck by a huge wave and sank rapidly.

Only one of the lifeboats was launched. It held nine passengers and three members of the crew who were picked up today by a Norwegian steamer which is due in Curacao tonight.

Of the persons aboard three were said to have been children. Also aboard were 18 cases of circus equipment and considerable quantities of costumes belonging to a Brazilian circus.—United Press.

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## NEW CABINET IN BURMA EXPECTED

Rangoon, September 8. Burmese forces have occupied Paungde, 30 miles South of Promo, the big communications centre North West of Rangoon, a Government communique announced tonight. There was no opposition.

A new Burmese Cabinet is expected to emerge in the next few days from the meetings of Parliament behind the heavily-barricaded walls of the Secretariat building in Rangoon, sources close to the Government said today.

Among its immediate problems will be:

First:—To appease the Karens, hill tribesmen demanding a separate State who last week occupied Moulmein.

Second:—To restore law and order in the interior, and particularly to restore rail and road communications to enable farmers to get rice to the seaports.

Third:—To balance the budget. These last two issues are related. The restoration of law and order would cut down Burma's huge insurrection expenses and at the same time increase the revenue by permitting an increase in the agricultural output.

**Serious Aspect**

This economic aspect of the insurrection is regarded as the most serious. It is felt that a blockade of the normal commercial traffic from the interior to the big cities would be one of the insurgents' most successful weapons against the Government.

General trade in Rangoon has been at a standstill for the past three weeks. Imports do not seem prepared to lay out funds for stocks they are now trying to unload.

The situation in Rangoon, however, has eased since the night curfew a month ago. The curfew of the reinforcements in mid-August has removed the threat to the city and the evacuation of Britons or other foreign nationals is not contemplated.

Minor actions, however, are occasionally reported in the Rangoon area—at Syriam, the big oil depot, across the Rangoon river and at Twante, on the strategic

**Bogged Down?**

The rice port of Bassein is under Government control and will be reopened for shipment abroad tomorrow for the first time since British residents evacuated it in early August, when the Communist disturbances broke out.

The Government still has to fight the insurrection in Central Burma and in the rain-drenched Irrawaddy Delta area. There is almost complete secrecy about the Government's offensive against Promo. The offensive was reported to have been bogged down at a point about 40 miles South of Promo by the monsoon rains and blown-up bridges, several of which have already been repaired.

Government communiques in the past week have reported actions against insurgents near Mandalay and in the Toungoo area, about midway between Rangoon and Mandalay.

Burma Navy patrol boats and Air Force Spitfires took part in some of these clashes.—Reuter.

**Mass Arrests In Athens**

Athens, September 8. The Athens police today arrested about 800 people during a large scale search of individuals who were stated to be irregularly registered in accordance with police regulations.

Six hundred other persons were arrested yesterday in Piraeus during similar police action. It is believed that the police were trying to discover through these people certain leading Greek Communists thought to be hiding in the Athens area.

A number of General Markos' supporters recently arrested were said to have made confessions leading the police to believe that leading Communists were in the area.

Those arrested during the past 24 hours would be released shortly if no charges of "clandestine Communist activities" could be formulated against them, police quarters stated.

The police disclosed today that an attempt was made last night to sabotage Athens' water supply pipeline, but the saboteurs were unsuccessful.—Reuter.

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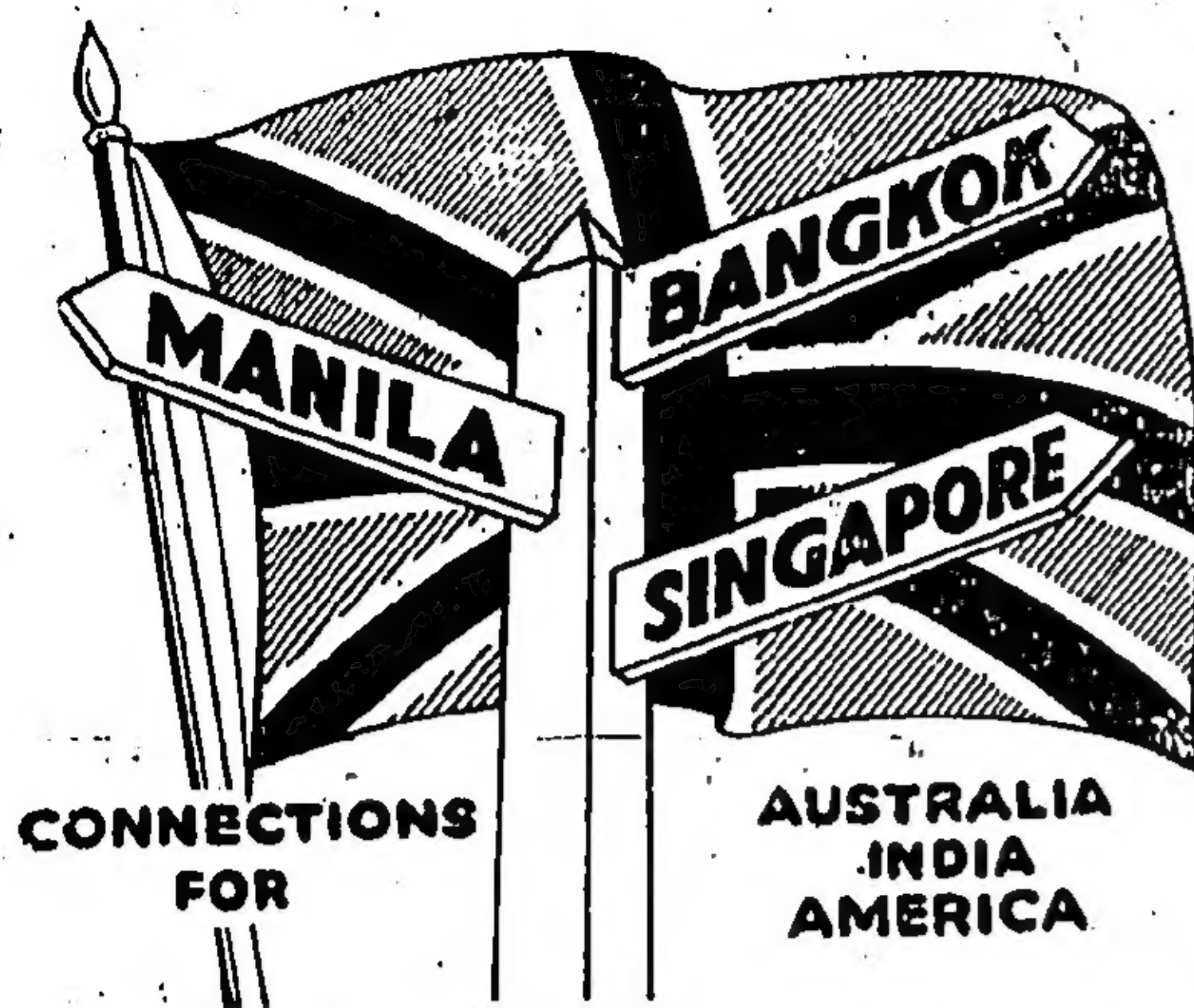
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### NEW TAXATION?

Mr. A. G. Clarke's threat of possible new taxation gave more the impression of a big stick waved gently in the breeze to facilitate the passage of the amendment to the Stamp Ordinance than of serious intent. Figures far more pertinent than any of those quoted by the Acting Financial Secretary would be essential before the Unofficial Members of Council and the taxpayers they are presumed to represent could be persuaded that the budgetary situation is anything like so desperate as Mr. Clarke endeavoured, by suggestion, to convey. Those who have grown old over the years analysing the Government's system of estimating its probable revenue and its proposed expenditure must have been a little shocked by the assumption that their simplicity remains such that they could be deeply impressed by a reference back to the original Budget prophecy of a \$1,500,000 surplus, dangled against an undeniable commitment of nearly \$20,000,000 in supplementary expenditure. Before we hear any more of this oblique hint of a review of the Colony's taxation for the purpose of raising additional revenue, we should like to have some real figures for a change. The financial year is, after all, a full five months under way and it should be possible to present a pretty clear picture both of actual revenue and of the general trend.

What does the Acting Financial Secretary imagine that we think it would show? Without any reliable information on which to base a guess, it would be safe to gamble that the five months that have elapsed have left the Government in a very comfortable position, able to view the future with equanimity. Despite indications of a minor business depression, probably seasonable rather than fundamental, revenue has remained buoyant to a remarkable degree. There is, moreover, a backlog of revenue due to Government under the Profits and Salaries Tax which runs in excess of \$20,000,000 and which Government has made no attempt to collect because of the hopeless inadequacy of the staffing of the Inland Revenue Department.

When such things as this have been straightened out, and the Government can produce convincing evidence of the danger of a serious deficit, it may be time to discuss the budgetary position anew. It may then be the proper time to go into the vital question, whether it is appropriate to balance the account by raising the scale of taxation, or whether the arrival of the hitherto mythical efficiency expert should not be hastened and Government extravagance brought under curb. The Government bill for 1948-49 already amounts to \$150,250,000 in round figures. To talk of additional revenue with the price of administration that high already is all too glib. A little earnest thinking on the subject of the relationship of open-handed governmental finance to inflation and the high cost of living would not go amiss: together with a deeper study of, precisely how much the traffic can reasonably be expected to bear. It would be a worthwhile undertaking even if, as we suspect, Mr. Clarke did not intend what he said to be taken seriously.

### Women's Groups

Just as the Women Volunteers for the Regular Army are to have their distinctive organisation, the Women's Royal Army Corps, successor of the A.T.S., the Territorial women volunteers will be specially designed. They will belong to the Women's Royal Army Corps (T.A.), the total of women required for the Territorials will be about 12,000. Modern publicity devices of all types are to be employed in the appeal to the nation—to those who can volunteer, to representative organisations, and to employers—to help, by service and encouragement, to make the new Territorial Army.

As the strength of the Territorial Army from 1955 will be between 500,000 and 600,000, made up of 150,000 volunteers and six yearly intakes of National Servicemen. The 150,000 volunteers are wanted as leaders and instructors, who should be approximately 25 per cent. of each intake. They are needed by spring 1949 so that the cadres (organisational frame works) may be ready to receive the first intake of National Servicemen in January 1950.

Britain's War Minister draws up the blueprint for the citizen army that will assure Britain's defence in the next critical years.

# BRITAIN'S TARGET FOR TOMORROW

By The Rt. Hon. Emanuel Shinwell  
In Interview With Percy Cater

Britain's "New Model" Territorial Army, which, with the National Service men on reserve training, will expand to a strength of more than half a million in seven years from now, has a role of vital consequence in the country's defence system.

Mr. Emanuel Shinwell, Secretary of State for War, says: "In modern conditions the Territorial Army has to be as well-trained and as well-looked-after as the Regular Forces. We have got to see that it is first class in all its branches."

Mr. Shinwell and his military advisers have to build this Army. First job of the Secretary of State is a big war recruiting campaign for the 100,000 additional volunteers, urgently wanted by next spring to organise the National Service. The units for the Territorial Force. In 1950 the "advance parties" who have done their Regular service will muster more than 50,000.

Mr. Shinwell, with Field-Marshal Viscount Montgomery, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, is now calling for volunteers to be the leaders and instructors of the new Territorials. The total recruitment is 150,000 but around 50,000 officers and men are in the Force already.

Men with Service experience, skilled in the use of modern arms and used to discipline and command, are especially needed. But women are wanted, too, for very much the same military tasks as they carried out, with efficiency, in the war.

### All Arms

Q: What are the arms of the Territorial Army for which volunteers are required? Will there be good opportunities of promotion for ex-soldiers? Can men—and women—be given, on joining, similar rank to that which they have held?

A: The Territorial Army will consist of all arms. Men will be able to choose that in which they wish to serve. Ex-soldiers will have plenty of opportunities for promotion. If there is a vacancy in the unit they choose, and if they are considered suitable by their commanding officer, they will usually, on joining, get back their old Army rank.

Q: What are the tasks for which women are required? Will women have equal prospects of promotion? What branches of the Service are they asked to join? Can married women become Territorials? What will be the recruiting ages for women?

A: The duties will include clerical work, driving, orderly duties, assistance in canteens and with cooking. There will be mixed units, chiefly A.A. and transport companies, as there were during the war. Women will be eligible for promotion to commissioned and non-commissioned ranks.

### Appeal To Wives

Q: Will there be an appeal to wives to "let your husbands join"? It has been suggested that

wives can exercise great influence for or against the recruiting campaign. Has that been thought of?

A: Yes. Wives will be asked to encourage their husbands to join. We want to associate wives with the Territorial Army. "At home," to which wives will be invited, are being arranged and there are to be display advertisements designed to appeal to the married women.

Every unit will eventually have good club accommodation, so that wives can be asked to take part in the unit's social life. Where men are in a mixed anti-aircraft unit we hope that their wives will join too. Often a wife will be able to join the women's section in the same place as the husband's made to secure that attempt to make it as interesting and educational as possible. Will reasonable efforts be made to consult the convenience of volunteers regarding weekly training, bearing in mind the fact that many people today have exacting civilian commitments?

A: Training will be made as interesting, educational, and varied as possible. It will be realistic. Yes, the convenience of members of a unit is kept prominently in mind. At present the men and women in the Force do, maybe, one night's training a week. We are doing all we can to make the conditions as comfortable as possible to provide incentives, to improve the drill halls and the centres. In the country districts we have supplied transport facilities. One of our aims is to make the Territorial centres the best clubs in the district. There are sports and games, and dancing, and concerts are arranged. The centres are really excellent institutions, which can contribute very much to the social fabric of the country.

The idea is that everybody associated with the unit should feel that he or she is fully part of its life and work.

### Employers

Q: Have employers generally, in recent times, been willing to pay wages during annual training, and to give holidays with pay in addition? Will any national appeal be made to employers on this question?

A: Government employees and those of local authorities are asked leave with pay for the annual camp. The National Boards give leave, but they have not yet agreed to give pay. The London Transport Board does not give pay either.

The whole matter of leave with pay is under regionalised industries but with regard to employment in the service.

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As regards employers in general, some already give full pay for the annual camp, in addition to holidays with pay. Some do not give pay for the camp, and we recognise that in the case of many small employers there may be difficult problems.

The Government has not so far made a direct appeal to employers on this issue, because, for one thing, it is not felt that monetary considerations alone are as much of a difficulty as some people may think. But attention being given to this matter, and certainly the hope is that all employers will make it as easy as possible for enthusiastic men to join the Territorials.

It is a great help, when employers pay for the holiday period and also for the camp.

The camps are often near the sea or in attractive country places. They have proved very popular this year, despite the weather. Usually they last for only a week now, but we shall be able, I hope, to extend them to a fortnight.

Q: Will National Service men continue in the Territorial Force, do you think, after their six years' compulsory reserve training?

A: I am hoping that a lot of them will volunteer for the Territorial Army when they come out of National Service. At the end of his 12 months with the Regulars a National Service man can join the volunteer element of the Territorials. He can join for five years, and instead of doing his total of ten days a year, which might include about eight days at the annual camp, he will then do the same weekly training as the volunteers, in addition to the camp. I should like the help of these men, and no doubt many, with their Service experience, will gain promotion.

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The "Musée de l'Homme" (Museum of Man) is an association of the Museum, with its 450 showcases showing man's development from tree dwelling days to the present, reserve collections, a library, the ethnological and anthropological school of the Sorbonne, and various research units.

In ordinary times, the Association takes up five flights and over 10,000 square metres of space in the west wing of the Palais de Chaillot.

Recently, however, the modern Palais de Chaillot has been designated headquarters for the United Nations Assembly due to start meeting here September 21.

M. Champion, for 20 years a serious scientist and museum curator has been putting up a stubborn battle to keep the "Musée de l'Homme."

His "resistance movement," as he likes to call it, has ended in a draw. The United Nations will occupy part of the basement, the first floor, and the bar, which is fairly decorated with a gigantic carved stone head of a man from the Easter Islands.

Only in one place will the unsuspecting U.N. delegate come face to face with his ancestors. In the first floor part of the public museum, M. Champion is struggling to keep exposed the showcases containing the Musée de l'Homme's famed skulls, datable back some 20,000 years.

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"Absolutely" not based on scientific fact," he said. "Only scientific bases for dividing up the globe are on such counts as language groups, races, peoples, and civilisations. What you soon learn is that not one map can be superimposed on the other to make sense. But the least sensible of all is the current political map of the world. It is not based on anything," he said looking rather annoyed.

The Musée de l'Homme public showcases will be closed to the public but open to United Nations delegates during the conference. M. Champion secretly hopes that he can show some of the politics his maps of Europe from the anthropological or ethnological point of view.

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## COUNT BERNADOTTE NON-COMMITTAL

Amman, September 8.  
Count Folke Bernadotte, the United Nations Mediator, who arrived in Amman today, was non-committal on the chances of peace in Palestine.

"I have nothing to say at this time and I think that the less said the better now until the United Nations meeting," he said.

He told the Associated Press "I do not want to say anything" when asked the prospects of a long term settlement. "All I can say is that I am an optimist. To have this job, I have to be."

The visit to Alexandria of Count Bernadotte for talks with Arab leaders was considered by political circles there today to have done little to change the Arab views on the settlement of the Palestine problem.

After the mediator left Alexandria the Arab League Political Committee, which he met last night, resumed its talks in complete secrecy.

A source close to the Arab leaders said that Count Bernadotte made certain proposals to Arab delegation chiefs there, but they were turned down. This source added that the proposals were probably advanced as "feints" to enable him to prepare his report to the United Nations after his talks with King Abdullah of Transjordan and with the Jewish authorities in Eilat and Tel Aviv.

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## Greek Army Successes

Athens, September 8.  
Important successes were scored by the National Army in the Kalamakchelan, Tzerna-Vitsi and Mourgana sectors, according to a General Staff communiqué.

Particularly in the Kalamakchelan and Tzerna sectors, a spokesman said, with the exception of a few spots close proximity to or on the borderline, where between 200 and 300 guerrillas are still resisting, the whole area was cleared and the bulk of guerrillas took refuge in Yugoslavia.

In this sector, 40 guerrillas were killed and 32 captured. Casualties were six dead, including two officers, and 27 wounded.

Further west in the Vitsi area the Army improved its positions by advancing two to three kilometres and captured important heights.

Armed and determined guerrilla counter-attacks were broken up and 20 guerrillas killed and 14 taken prisoner, the communiqué said.—Associated Press.

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# FRESH APPROACH IN MOSCOW

## Western Envoys Seek To End Berlin Deadlock

### Power Of Veto Again An Important Issue

#### Berlin Communist "Putsch"

Washington, September 8. Mr. George Marshall, the American Secretary of State, said today that the present disturbances in Berlin were aimed at establishing a Communist-controlled Government in that city and must be "firmly resisted."

Reiterating America's insistence that she would not "negotiate under duress," Mr. Marshall said that the disturbances were "definitely not helpful" to the four-power attempts to reach an overall settlement of the Berlin problem, though conferences to this end were proceeding.

The events in Berlin recalled "similar proceedings that have occurred in Europe in the past," Mr. Marshall said.

He did not regard the latest Berlin incident as a purely German affair but as linked by Communist "both inside and outside Germany."

He did not say if and when another meeting might be expected between the Western envoys in Moscow and either M. Vyacheslav Molotov, the Soviet Foreign Minister, or Marshal Stalin. —Reuter.

#### Gurney Wants Peace

Berlin, September 8. Senator Chan Gurney today called for "every effort to reach agreement with Russia."

Accompanied by a party of nine armed services advisers, Senator Gurney arrived by air from West Germany late today. Reporters noted that his "every effort" could be interpreted as a recommendation for appeasement. He snapped: "I repeat, every effort must be made to obtain agreement with Russia."

Senator Gurney said that he "came here to look around because I feel that the American people are not fully informed on present developments. They don't have full information. As a result, the day to day crisis keep them in a state of tension."

—United Press.

#### AMERICAN POLICE STONED

Frankfurt, September 8. American military police reported today that they were stoned during a raid yesterday on a Jewish Displaced Persons Camp at Zeilsheim.

One of these throwing stones was wounded by gunfire. The military police and American criminal agents arrested 15 camp inmates after seizing 3,000,000 cigarettes, one and a half tons of coffee beans and \$1,300 in American bank notes.

When the arrested men were loaded into a lorry, camp inmates gathered around and attempted to release them, the police reported.

The police and agents drew their guns to disperse the crowd and as the lorry started off the crowd hit the lorry with stones and clubs, the report said.

In the melee one of the prisoners escaped. The soldiers fired at him but missed.

The report said that one man throwing stones was struck by a bullet and was taken to a hospital. The 14 prisoners still in the lorry were taken to Frankfurt and placed in a guardhouse. —Associated Press.

#### European Snags

Geneva, September 8. Twelve nations met here today to seek an agreement on a permanent regional international machinery for co-operation in the development of European agriculture.

Known as the Ad Hoc Committee on agricultural problems of common interest to the Economic Commission for Europe and the Food and Agricultural Organization, the group is considering proposals for establishing a joint FAO-ECE committee on European agriculture.

Harmless as this sounds, the project is beset with so many difficulties that neither the ECE nor FAO circles are confident of success.

The FAO considers its interest in this success of the project important enough to have sent its Director-General, Mr. Norris Dodd, to Geneva to support the joint committee idea. —Reuter.

London, September 8. The three Western envoys in Moscow may tomorrow make a fresh approach to the Soviet Foreign Minister, M. Molotov.

They would seek to resolve the deadlock in the Military Commanders' talks in Berlin on the blockade and the currency problem, well informed quarters in London believed tonight.

If the three Western envoys fail to agree with M. Molotov on fresh instructions to the Military Governors, observers believe that another meeting with Generalissimo Stalin may be sought in a final attempt to reconcile the viewpoints of the four powers.

During the Moscow phase of the East-West talks, it was agreed in principle to set up a permanent Four Power Financial Commission to supervise the issue, distribution and circulation of the Russian-sponsored Eastmark in Berlin.

The four Military Governors have been bogged down in their efforts to translate that agreement in principle into an agreement in practice.

The main difference involves the question whether members of the Commission are to have the right of veto.

Russia wants each Commission member to have the power of veto. Her argument mainly is that otherwise, on a majority basis, she would be outvoted on the control of her own currency each time any issue of importance arose.

#### Linked Up

The Western Governors disagree. They contend that the same haggles that have caused the Allied Control Council to collapse would arise, and want decisions to depend on a simple majority.

Diplomatic observers here believed that it will now be impossible for the four-power Military Governors' conference in Berlin and the interference with the activities of the Berlin City Assembly to be considered any longer in water-tight compartments.

Overnight reports of the arrest by the Soviet authorities of Western sector police, released from their vigil in the City Hall after the grant of a Soviet safe conduct, and the suspension of the Governors' talks, in a partial

#### Rita Denies Romance

New York, September 9. Rita Hayworth, the film actress, denies reports that she plans to marry Prince Ali Khan, son of the Aga Khan.

When the star returned from her European tour in the liner Queen Elizabeth yesterday, she said that they were merely "good friends."

Her divorce from the film actor and director, Orson Welles, will become final in November. She told reporters that there was "no reconciliation in sight" between them. —Reuter.

#### ECA ALLOTMENTS ANNOUNCED

Washington, September 8. The Economic Co-operation Administration today authorised expenditure of US\$9,941,877 in Marshall plan funds for six European countries, China and Bizonia Germany.

The highest authorisation was US\$8,000,000 to purchase American cotton for China.

At the same time, ECA cancelled US\$8,310,918 in commitments, including US\$575,000 in Netherlands East Indies copra. No reason was announced.

The ECA indicated that the administrator, Paul Hoffman, and his China reconstruction project investigator, Charles Stillman, may soon reveal projects ECA will finance in China.

Stillman arrived from China late on Tuesday and immediately began informing Hoffman of the results of his latest conversations with Chinese officials and businessmen on how ECA can best

deadlock on the currency issue, caused disquiet and uncertainty.

#### A Protest?

Even yesterday, it was known that the possibility of a protest to the Soviet authorities on Government level over their support for the German Communist demonstrations in Berlin was being considered in the Western capitals.

Observers here believed that such a course was favoured in Washington. Last night's violation of the safe conduct granted to Western sector police appeared to make some form of protest inevitable. —Reuter and Associated Press.

#### SOMEBODY ANGERED PERON

Buenos Aires, September 8. General Juan Domingo Peron, Argentine President, today warned his political opponents that his patience was giving out and his voice would be firm when he ordered them all to be hanged.

Addressing the Santa Fe celebration of "Farmers Day," he identified as opponents "all those who are rich, who do not work, who are professional politicians and those who, with unusual equanimity, defend the interests of foreign capitalist trusts."

He called on all Argentines "who do not want to sell the country to foreign trusts," to maintain and consolidate the nation's economic independence and "stand alert and united ready to fight at any moment should it be necessary."

Accusing "the Old Guard politicians" of renewing a subversive campaign to stir up discord, General Peron said: "They once said they would hang us all. I replied by calling up the Desamorisados (the shirtless-working class) to buy a three metre rope each in order to see who should hang who."

"Fear silenced them but now they are starting again to say that they will hang us. We do not need to buy rope again but let them understand the people are beginning to fire at all these lies and boasts. Let them know that I will speak with a firm voice on the day I order them to be hanged."

"If they want war they will have it and if they decide for war either they or we will disappear. I have decided that the people shall impose its will." —Reuter.

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spend an estimated US\$70,000,000 available for industrial recovery. The ECA indicated that Hoffman and Stillman probably will have final discussions on this phase of ECA China programme within a few days and will make public the China projects chosen. Stillman may return to China within a few days, ECA said.

ECA Oriental operations are expanding with President Truman's decision to place Korean relief, heretofore under the Army, under civilian relief agencies.

ECA said that although it probably will be some time before the agency takes over the Korean programme, it is establishing machinery to handle the new responsibility. —Associated Press.

#### 20 Killed In Bus Smash

Madrid, September 8. Twenty persons were dead and four in a grave condition after a bus loaded with 32 persons returning from a fiesta at Belmonte de Tajo, about 40 miles from here, overturned and burned early this morning.

The fire departments of Madrid and nearby Chinchón were rushed to the rescue but most of the living had been taken from the bus by the time they arrived. —Reuter.

#### Episcopal Canons

London, September 8. Indian and Chinese Bishops have been appointed Episcopal Canons in the collegiate church of Saint George the Martyr of Jerusalem. It was announced by the Church of England's press Bureau today.

The appointments, made by the Bishop of Jerusalem, the Rt. Rev. W. H. Stewart, are: In the Stall of Cerizim, the Rt. Rev. A. N. Mukerjee, Bishop of Delhi.

In the Stall of Carmel, the Rt. Rev. Lindel Taen, Chairman of the House of Bishops of the Chung Hwa Sheng Kung Hui (Holy Catholic Church in China) and Bishop of Honan. —Reuter.

#### In Breach Of Treaty

London, September 9. Britain said today that Rumania is favouring the Russians, discriminating against the British and breaking her peace treaty in the nationalisation of business and industry.

The British Government made the complaint in a diplomatic note to the Rumanian Foreign Minister in Bucharest.

A Foreign Office spokesman said earlier that the United States, France, Belgium and the Netherlands have also sent Rumania recent notes on the subject. Sweden and Switzerland had lodged similar complaints earlier.

The spokesman told reporters that the latest five notes were sent separately and it was "fortuitous" that they went almost at the same time. —Associated Press.

#### Favouritism Alleged

Washington, September 8. Mr. Homer Ferguson, Michigan Chairman of the Senate Investigating Committee, today opened a public inquiry into what he termed the "weakness in the enforcement of our export controls."

Senator Ferguson said many businessmen have complained to Congress that the Department of Commerce has shown "favouritism" in granting export licenses.

He added that if the Department's Office of International Trade fails to correct these conditions Congress may step in "to improve and strengthen the programme" by legislation.

Both Government officials and exporters will testify. —Associated Press.

#### VIET MINH WAR WARNING

Salon, September 8. The Viet Minh Indo-China autonomy Radio broadcast today a communiqué originally issued by the Government of the autonomy leader, Dr. Ho Chi Minh, declaring that a state of war exists in Vietnam, which comprises Tonkin, Annam and Cochinchina.

Any aircraft flying over the country without special authorisation would be considered an enemy and Viet Minh troops have received order to fire on such aircraft. The communiqué said. —Reuter.

## BRITISH BAN MEETINGS

To Avoid Trouble In Berlin

Berlin, September 8. The British Military Government told the Lord Mayor of Berlin, Dr. Ferdinand Friedensburg, tonight that from Friday next it would not permit the holding of meetings in parts of the British sector near the Russian sector.

The aim is "to maintain public order and avoid incidents with the Soviet-controlled organisations," the note said.

A British spokesman said the banned area covered an average half mile from the Soviet sector boundary and included the Square in front of the burned-out Reichstag, where Western Berliners have held several mass demonstrations in the past few months.

The Soviet sector police have shown themselves unable to maintain order and this, together with the possibility of demonstrations, has made these measures desirable for the preservation of order in the British sector, he added.

"By a meeting, we mean those to which the public have been invited. The meetings of the City Assembly are a separate matter. In other words, we are avoiding clashes between police on one side or the other."

The spokesman pointed out that before any meeting or demonstration could take place in future, Military Government permission would be necessary.

He added that tomorrow's meeting in the Platz der Republik, in front of the Reichstag, organised by the city's three "Western" parties, would be able to take place.

#### U.S. Protest

"But the necessary precautions will be taken," he stated. He declined to say if those precautions would include the presence of British troops.

The Platz der Republik lies only 100 yards from the Brandenburger Tor, which marks the entrance to the Russian sector. Western Berlin parties liked to stage anti-Communist demonstrations there since it was easy for Russian sector Berliners to attend.

The British announcement followed a protest by Colonel Frank Howley, the American Commander in Berlin, to Major General Alexander Kotikov, the Soviet Commander, over the disorders at the City Hall.

Colonel Howley called on Major-General Kotikov during the afternoon to protest about the disorders at the City Hall and the "siege" there of Western Berlin police.

Immediately afterwards, he went to the American headquarters to report to General Lucius D. Clay, the United States Military Governor.

Colonel Howley "got considerable satisfaction from the time

being" from General Kotikov, it was stated. The colonel, in addition to protesting at the arrest of Colonel William Babcock, the American Deputy Commandant, and interference with Americans at the City Hall, had demanded that the Western sector police arrested by the Russian sector police in and near the City Hall should be released.

General Jean Ganeval, the French Berlin Commandant, believed that the arrest of Western sector German policemen early today was due to a "misunderstanding" by the Soviet Commandant's subordinates, a French official spokesman said.

General Ganeval expected the men would be released in accordance with his original understanding with General Kotikov, who had guaranteed them safe conduct.

The spokesman said that General Ganeval had not protested to General Kotikov about the incident which took place after the policemen had been released from the besieged City Hall in the Soviet sector.

They were interrogated at the Soviet sector police headquarters this morning. An official statement issued by the Soviet sector police authorities said that the arrest of the Western sector police was due to the fact that they carried on "labour certificates" and said that they would be released immediately on production of them.

#### 45 In Red Hands

Dr. Friedensburg's secretary had undertaken to produce the missing certificates, the German news agency DPA, said.

"We are still awaiting the release of our policemen who were taken into custody last night but can do little more than protest," a Western sector police spokesman said. "We have already sent a demand to Inspector Wendt, and the Police President, Dr. Stumm, is doing everything else possible. Meanwhile, we can only wait."

Western sector police headquarters announced that 45 of their policemen were known to be in custody in the Soviet sector of the city. This number includes one group removed in handcuffs and chains from the City Hall on Monday night, a second group arrested last night after they had been guaranteed safe conduct, and several who had attempted to escape from the City Hall in between times. —Reuter.

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# CINEMA WORLD

**"SOUL OF CHINA" (King's).**  
An All-Star Chinese Cast.  
Foreigners will probably be attracted by the historical interest in this picture, which censors in Shanghai have labelled as the best Chinese film production in 30 years.

Dealing with the latter part of the warring Sung Dynasty, when Mongol hordes were over-running China, the makers of this film have succeeded in adapting, successfully to a certain extent, up-to-date Hollywood tricks of the trade, although at times the basic fault of Chinese films—lack of efficient editing—is glaringly visible.

Running longer than the average foreign production, "Soul of China" at times tends to become tedious, although the length of the feature may be justified by the slow and deliberate diction of the actors in their attempt to bring Mandarin across to the masses.

The acting, as far as Chinese acting goes, is good, although several characters appear to suffer from a touch of over-acting, so prevalent on the Chinese stage. Fairly good camera work and elaborate costumes benefit the picture.

The historical period depicted starts in the third year of the reign of Yangchow, when China's renowned scholar and statesman, Wen Tien-hsiang, emerges from

## SHADOWS BEFORE

exile to lead the Emperor's troops against the invading Mongols. The outcome of the battle is of little importance to the film. What forms the theme—the soul of the picture, is Wen's steadfastness and loyalty to Emperor and country in forfeiting his life rather than to betray his ideals to the enemy.

Although not of as high a standard as better American films, "Soul of China" nevertheless manages to make Chinese film history with a novel and refreshing approach, and capable direction. (Yung Kwa Motion Picture Industry Ltd.)

### "KEEP YOUR POWDER DRY"

(Queen's).  
Stars: Lana Turner, Laraine Day, Susan Peters and Agnew Moorehead.

Based on the life in the American Women's Army Corps, this picture would have probably clicked if it had been shown here immediately after V-J Day.

But today, more than three years after the last guns in the Pacific have been silenced, the movie-goer is unwaveringly reminded of army routine, dull camp food, shiny brass buttons

and sergeants who manage to look grim even in a skirt.

The film is pleasant, however, inasmuch as it provides plenty of khaki glamour for the male audience in the forms of Lana Turner, Laraine Day and Susan Peters, while it boasts feminine hearts with a display of woman efficiency and independence that has become a controversial issue in many a household.

Very little story offered. (M-G-M).

### "PURSUED" (Lee's).

Stars: Teresa Wright, Robert Mitchum, Judith Anderson, Dean Jagger and Alan Hale.

This is the saga of the young American South West, a dynamic story of life and love as powerful as the prairielands in which they flourished. Wint lift this film out of the ranks of the ordinary Wild West gun thriller and the richness of the story and capable acting performances by two of Hollywood's younger stars.

Teresa Wright is no newcomer, having scored notable successes in "The Best Years of Our Lives" and "Beyond a Doubt." In "Pursued," Miss Wright is given an opportunity to excel again as Thor Callum, while Robert Mitchum turns in a fine performance as Jeb Rand, who is stalked and pursued by an unforgetting and unknown avenger.

One of the highlights of the film is a grim but realistic fist fight between Robert Mitchum and John Roney, the latter playing the part of Adam Callum, Miss Wright's brother.

The story is well-rounded and characterised by fast-moving in the plot. Directed by Mr. Frank Walsh helps the picture along, while such old-timers as Judith Anderson and Alan Hale lend able support in subsidiary roles. (Warner Brothers).

### "BODY AND SOUL" (Queen's).

Stars: John Garfield, Lillie Palmer.

This is mostly Body. Any soul is purely incidental, and has no relation to any of the characters, except, perhaps, Ann Revere as a prize-fighter's mother.

Charlie Davis comes from a poor family, too poor to educate him to do anything but prize-fight, which comes naturally. Taken over by a crooked manager and the boss of the fighting racket in New York, he leaves a trail of defeated opponents behind him. After getting to the top by a series of white-washed "cooked" fights, his soul suddenly starts protesting when he is ordered to "throw" the World Championship.

I can think of very few actors who could have handled the role of Charlie so well as John Gar-

## Pursued



Robert Mitchum and Teresa Wright appear in a new kind of Western drama at the Lee Theatre. The film is Warner Brothers' "Pursued," opening today.

field does. Charlie is a tough, sensual, grasping, generous animal, and Garfield is all of that and pathetic as well. His final fight scene, photographed from a newsreel-camera's angle, is horrifyingly realistic.

Ann Revere is good and grim-faced as Charlie's mother, but Lillie Palmer, in her second American film, is disappointing as the girl who loves him from pool-room to pent-house. New discovery Hazel Brooks is just another Body.

An overdose of Early-Thirties music nearly ruins some of the tense scenes, but it never quite manages to destroy the effect of James Wong Howe's camera work. (M-G-M).

# INTERNAL LABOUR TROUBLES

Margate, September 8.

Mr. Arthur Deakin, President of the World Federation of Trade Unions, told delegates of the Trades Union Congress here today that the Federation was rapidly becoming "nothing more than another platform and instrument for Soviet policy."

Mr. Deakin said that there were now five representatives of Communist countries to every three others in the Federation, and on the Executive the balance was more heavily weighted against the non-Communists.

"If an issue is pressed to a vote it becomes a Communist-dominated organisation."

The Congress overwhelmingly defeated a resolution put forward by the Bakers Union and supported by the Tobacco Workers Union re-affirming support of the World Federation and urging the British representatives "to resist attempts to destroy unity inside their body."

Opposing the resolution, Mr. Deakin told the conference that for a long time they had been in a position of great difficulty in the World Federation. "There has been little or no agreement within the WFTU; the only thing that we have been directing our energies to has been to preserve the Federation as a going concern—and that has not been easy."

Mr. E. Bowden, representative of the Baker Union, who moved the resolution, said that if the WFTU broken up, the only people who would gain would be the natural enemies of the working class.

## "A Tragedy"

Mr. Percy Belcher, General Secretary of the Tobacco Workers Union, suggested that "it is being strongly rumoured that it is the British Trade Union Congress which is attempting to split the World Federation."

"It would be a real tragedy," he added, "if the WFTU was allowed to die."

Before the TUC debated the resolution on the WFTU, the TUC General Secretary, Mr. V. Tewson, announced that it had been impossible to arrange for a fraternal delegation from the WFTU to attend.

The International Committee thought there should be an English-speaking delegate, and a representative from Denmark had been put forward. When Mr.

Louis Sallant, the WFTU General Secretary, was informed of the decision, he announced that he had decided to attend the British Conference himself. During the negotiations which followed Mr. Sallant offered to have an English text of his speech circulated.

## Gorman Industry

Mr. Tewson said that difficult arose in consulting members of the Executive Bureau and efforts had been made up to last Saturday to obtain an official decision, but eventually the TUC General Council decided that suitable arrangements could not be made.

A resolution put forward by Mr. R.E. Edwards, of the Chemical Workers Union, expressed apprehension at "attempts being made to re-establish the power" of the I.G. Farben Industry in Germany and asked for an immediate Government inquiry into the affairs of this German chemical monopoly.

"Germany will become the battleground of the third World War unless we are able to build up an industrial structure in Germany which will prevent the forces that brought Hitler into power today rising across Europe again," Mr. Edwards said. The resolution was referred to the General Council for consideration. —Reuter.

## CROP FORECAST

Washington, September 9. A cotton crop of 15,219,000 bales of 500 pounds gross weight was forecast on Wednesday by the US Agriculture Department. This estimate is 50,000 bales more than the forecast a month ago for the seventh largest on record. It compares also with 11,851,000 bales produced by the year and 12,014,000 bales for the 10 years (1937-1946) average. —Associated Press.

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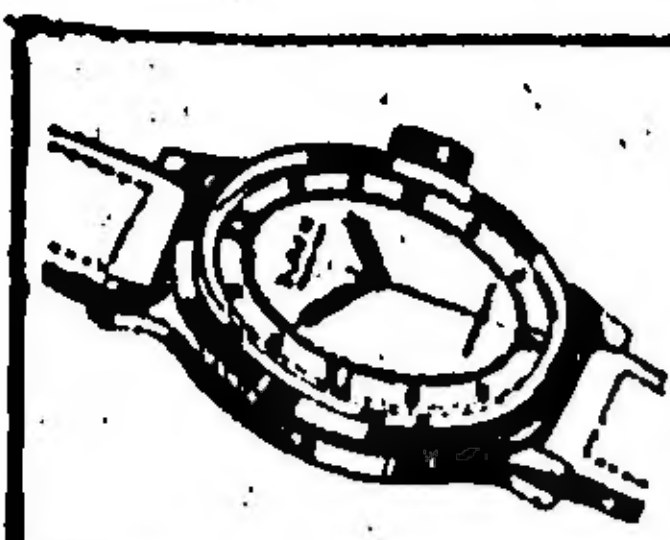


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### Lee Wai-tong Returning Soon

Lee Wai-tong, at one time one of China's best footballers, who accompanied the Chinese Olympic Football team to London as coach, will be returning to the Colony on Sunday by air.

When the Chinese team left for home, Lee Wai-tong remained in England. He was to take a course in coaching and refereeing. News has been received that he has passed the Referees' examination and has been admitted a member of the London Football Referees' Association. No mention is made about the coaching course, and it is presumed that he could not afford the time to stay in England to complete a course.

### Davis Cup Tennis On Rocks

New York, September 8. According to the sport editor of the New York World Telegram, there is no doubt in the world apart from America whose lawn tennis is up to Davis Cup standard.

Commenting on the recent eclipse of Australia by the United States in the challenge round, he says that competitively and financially Davis Cup tennis has gone on the rocks.

He suggests the best solution would be to forget the whole thing for five years and give foreign weaklings a chance to fatten up.

He seeks no salvation at present in what he terms the Empire and International racket show, and adds that England and France are years removed from their one-time tennis glory; Czechoslovakia can forget all about Cup conquesting when Janowich-Dorby refuses to return to the iron curtain and Italy needs a long time to develop.—Reuter.

### US GOLFER IN RECORD PLAY

London, September 8. Arthur Clark, American professional golfer, today broke the course record for Finches, in the second round of the 36-hole southern section qualification competition for the News of the World professional match play championship of Britain.

The tall American went round the course in 66 to beat the record of 68 scored in yesterday's first round by R. Knight, 31-year-old assistant to Henry Cotton at the Royal Mid-Surrey course.

The championship will be held later this month at Birkdale, Lancashire.—Reuter.

## Boston Wins Game Against NY Yanks

New York, September 9. The American League leading Boston Red Sox drew first blood last night in their important three-game series with the Yanks. They increased their margin over the New Yorkers to two and one-half games.

The Sox spotted the Yanks for four runs in the first inning. They climbed all over Joe Page for another four runs in their half of the seventh, to secure the game. Earl Johnson, in relief, was credited with his eighth victory.

### Injured By Landslide

Pang Kam-kai, a 33-year-old lorry driver, was removed to Kowloon Hospital in a serious condition yesterday as a result of injuries suffered in a landslide.

Pang's lorry, No. 6301, was at Wo Hop Shek Village, Fanling, about 10.30 a.m. yesterday, to remove earth from a hillside, when a sudden landslide buried him and the vehicle.

A coolie who was with Pang escaped. Pang was extricated by the earth coolies working on the site.

Doncaster, September 8. There is every indication that the Aga Khan will win his sixth St. Leger, which is being run here on Saturday before the King and Queen and an anticipated crowd of a quarter of a million, either with the hot favourite, My Love, or with Noor, which he bred himself.

My Love, winner of the Epsom Derby and the French Grand Prix, is out to accomplish a treble, only accomplished once back in 1865, and there are few that do not think My Love will do it.

After a splendid Channel crossing, this finely built colt is looking the picture of health, refuting all the rumours a few weeks back that he was not well.

It was these reports which sent his price to as much as five to one with some bookmakers, but the odds against are now difficult to get and he is expected to start at even money, if not at odds on. He is almost certain to start the shortest priced favourite since 1935. That year only four of 11 were held on the Aga Khan's Bahuro and he won.

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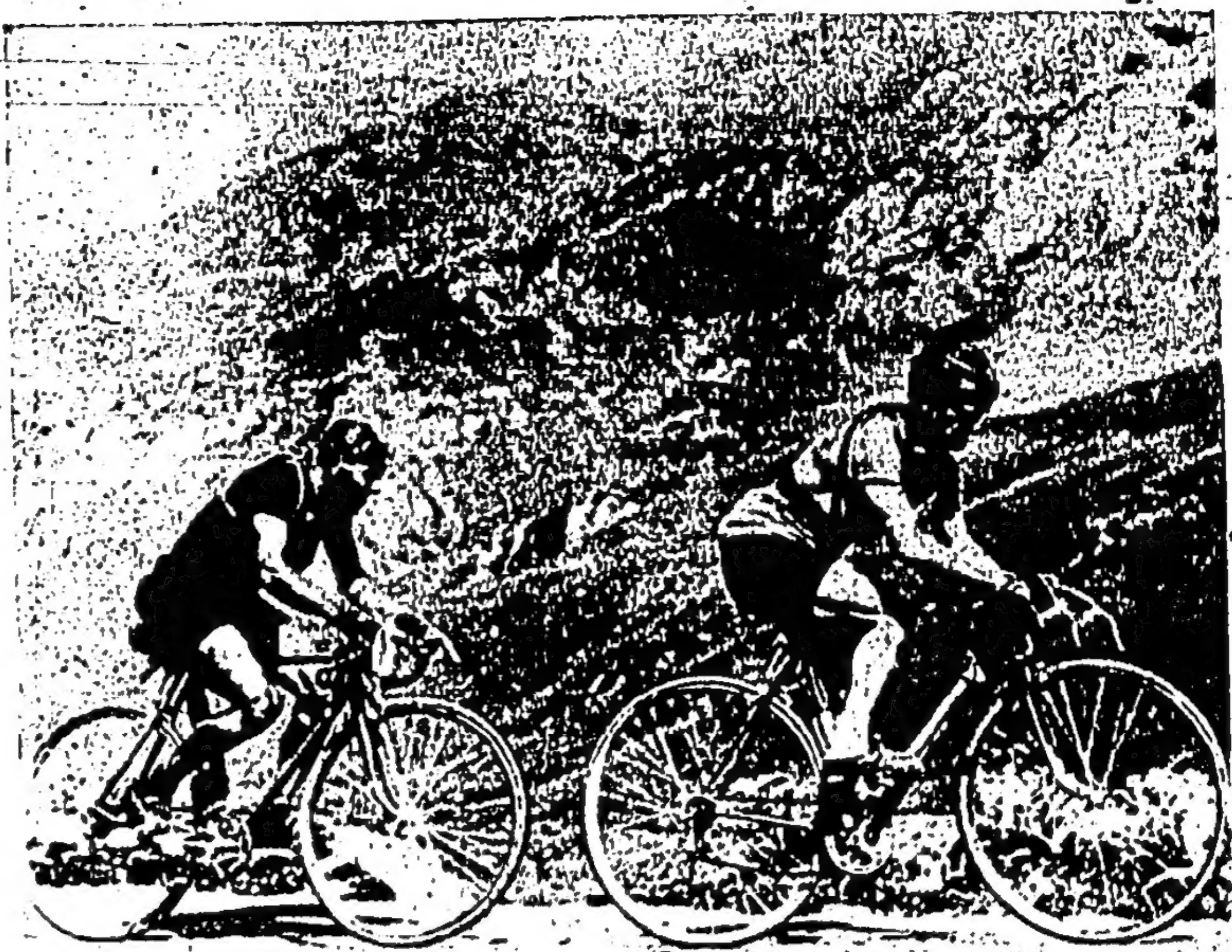
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During the eighth lap of the Tour de France from Lourdes to Toulouse, Jean Robic of France, last year's winner, is seen leading Paul Nerl (International) through one of the Pyrenees passes. (AP Photo).

### Woodcock - Oma Fight A Sell Out

London, September 9. Promoter Jack Solomons today announced a sell-out for the Woodcock-Oma bout scheduled for Harringway Arena on September 21.

Enthusiasm for the Woodcock-Oma bout has increased rapidly in the past few days following sports writers' praise of Oma as the "most likeable American boxer who ever came to Britain—full of wisecracks and with an exceptionally engaging smile."

—United Press.

### Tony Zale Favoured

New York, September 9. "Tony Zale will win by a knock out over Marcel Cerdan in five rounds—but if it goes beyond that, he will get knocked out himself."

That was the opinion of Barney Hoss, former world welterweight champion, who watched Cerdan training for his September 20 fight with Tony Zale.—Associated Press.

### Manca Wins

Rome, September 8. Giovanni Manca, formerly Italy's middleweight boxing champion, won points in a match with France's Georges Chape.

Alfredo Venturi, Manca's manager, has signed a contract for a match between the former Italian champion and the Belgian boxer, Hyen. The match will be fought in Brussels on September 28.

The European welterweight champion, Robert Villmann, will meet the Italian boxer, Gino Verdini, in Lisbon on September 15, Venturi said.—Associated Press.

### POLICE TEAM

The following have been chosen to represent Hong Kong Police in the Interport football game against Manca Police on Thursday, September 16, at Boundary Street at 8 p.m.

Team: Wong, Fung, Koo, and Lai Wai; Ng Wai, Gordon and Colmore; Leung, Shing, Redman, Howlett and Yusuf.

Reserves: Lau Pak-hung and Hung Kwong-fat.

### KCC TEAM

The following teams will represent K.C.C. 1st team against the Kowloon Docks R.C. on the K.C.C. on Saturday at 4 p.m.

W.J. Keates, S.A. Gray, A.E.P. Guest and E. Giddwin (skip).

G. Lee, F.E. Skinner, Y.T. Lock and E.C. Fincher (skip).

H. Brown, L. Bones, J.M. Forrest and J. Orem (skip).

### RAIN INTERFERES WITH AUSSIE GAME

Scarborough, September 8. Rain interfered with the match here between the Australians and H. Leveson Gower's XI. This is the tourists' last game before their departure for home.

Leveson Gower's XI had scored 94 runs for two wickets when stumps were drawn for the day.

The crowd grew to over 20,000 after the lunch interval, despite the cloudy weather.

Flahock and Donnelly were both unhappy for a time and were nearly dismissed. Harsett at long leg dropped Donnelly off Lindwall before he had scored a half game over Cincinnati.—Associated Press.

## SOFTBALL OPENING OCTOBER 10

(By "GRANDSTAND")  
The Opening Day for the 1948-49 Softball season has been set for Sunday, October 10. The season will be ushered in with the customary fan-fare of a "march past".

Although this event is still some weeks away, several squads have dug up their bats and oiled their mits for evening "work-outs".

Several newly formed teams have indicated their intention of taking part in the forthcoming leagues. The latest adherents to the Seniors are the Khalsis, comprising the cream of the Indian police.

The Vikings have been busy taking down notes at the last few meetings in preparation for their junior pennant bid. It is understood that several church teams will join the Junior league.

There is no doubt as to the growing popularity of softball, not only universally, but also in Hong Kong. Sportsmen have taken to it like ducks to water.

Among the several reasons for the game's success is that it can be played almost anywhere, and, ordinary precautions are taken, the game has practically no physical hazards. It allows for individual skill to shine and at the same time permits team co-operation. Above all, it is a melting-pot for individuals of all nationalities, irrespective of creed, from all social strata.

The world today can do with much of that type of understanding.

Almost 500  
The total registered players in the three leagues organized by the Association last year was only a few short of 500. There are few local sporting activities with such a record.

In addition, there are the numerous school teams. A rough estimate shows that the number of people actually playing softball in Hong Kong number at least 1,000. To calculate the number of fans would be an enormous task.

Among those straightening out the kinks in their rusty arms at this time are the Pirates, skippered by Joan Eager, who were featured in several "friendlies" last year.

Rennie Remedios, who attends to the business end of this enthusiastic band-of-buccaners has this season obtained the services of Blimby Ablong as chief coach.

Stumpy Blimby Ablong, or the "flying tiger" as he is generally known to the softball fraternity for his base-stealing prowess, has had vast coaching experience, having been engaged in that capacity since the introduction of softball to the Colony.

In The Race  
Ablong is also on the roster of the senior league Saints, holders of the Molten trophy. Knowing what it is to be on top of the heap, he is, therefore, devoting his full time and energy into moulding the Pirates into championship material—to quote el Blimby, "if not this year, definitely the next".

Although it is understood that the Madcap Aces and Bees have disbanded, the Wahooks (Wildcats) and the Canadians will be in the race again. The Wahooks have lost two of their valuable players, namely Alda Ostrumoff and Lee Flag, hopes are however still high as they have been considerably strengthened with the addition of Tadea Baptista and Miguel Xavier, a pair of experienced

The scouts have not been idle. It is understood that Victoria Recreation Club, who finished well last season, have already acquired Joe Franco, one of the top hurriers in the business. The Saints will probably lose several of their reliable players, but the diamond urge may yet overcome their determination to give up the pastime.

Recrea's serious bid for the pennant at the last meeting, and the fact that several pre-war veterans, including the renowned Gosano clan, are on their roster, until such time as their farm produces promising material.

The Merry Madcappers will be in again with almost the same lineup as last year. The rumour that they have signed up Saint hurrier, Jack Brown, however, still remains unconfirmed.

The ever-popular Dick Chung, who retired from softball activities for the last two seasons, was present at the last meeting, and signified his intention of re-entering Chung Hwa.

This season will also witness the re-appearance of an all-American side and fans will see several familiar faces from the pre-war Mohawks. This should really pack them in at the ball-parks.

Speaking of ball-parks, the ever persevering General Committee has obtained permission to continue with their games on the Central British Association ground on Saturday and Sunday afternoons. More news regarding playing fields is still to come, so keep your fingers crossed.

## MANCHESTER UNITED, PORTSMOUTH LOSE IN HOME FOOTBALL

London, September 8. There were several shocks in the Football League matches played today. Portsmouth, the First Division leaders, lost at home to Middlesbrough, while Manchester United, the Cup holders, went down to Wolves at Wolverhampton.

Lowly Everton picked up two points at the expense of Stoke City.

In the Second Division, both teams at the top of the table were beaten in away matches. Southampton stumbled on the Fulham ground, and Bradford were decisively beaten at Plymouth.

Bury, as a result of their home win over the Wednesday today, thus go to the top of the Second Division table.

Today's results:—  
FIRST DIVISION  
Wolves 3 Manchester U. 2  
Arsenal 1 Liverpool 1  
Charlton 1 Chelsea 1  
Everton 2 Stoke 1  
Manchester C. 2 Birmingham 0  
Newcastle 2 Villa 1  
Portsmouth 1 Middlesbrough 3

SECOND DIVISION  
Barnsley 4 Notts Est. 0  
Bury 2 Wednesday 1  
Chesterfield 0 Grimsby 3  
Fulham 1 Southampton 0  
Leeds 0 Spurs 0  
Plymouth 3 Bradford 0  
West Brom. 5 Lincoln 0

THIRD DIVISION  
Bournemouth 2 Walsall 0  
Brighton 1 Norwich 0  
Bristol C. 0 Millwall 0  
Pulisey 1 Bristol R. 0  
Exeter 3 Aldershot 3  
Reading 4 Newport 1  
Watford 1 Torquay 1

FOURTH DIVISION  
Bradford 1 Truro 3  
Chester 4 York 3  
Carlisle 1 Gillingham 3  
N. Brighton 0 Stockport 2  
Glasgow Cup 1st Round Re-Play  
Celtic 2 Partick 1  
Irish Gold Cup 2nd Round Re-Play  
Ballymena 2 Glenavon 4

RUGBY RESULTS  
London, September 8.  
Rugby League, Northern  
Bradford 17 Leeds 13  
Castlerock 17 Hull 3  
Dewsbury 21 Hull Kingston 2  
Swinton 17 Whitehaven 6  
York 7 Huddersfield 28  
Lancashire Cup, 1st round, 2nd leg—  
Barrow 4 Warrington 7  
(Barrow eliminated)  
Salford 14 Workington T. 0  
(Workington eliminated)  
Wigan 7 St. Helen's 7  
(St. Helen's eliminated).—Reuter.

BRITISH ATHLETES FOR COPENHAGEN  
London, September 9. Alistair McCrquodale, the British athlete star who was fourth in the Olympics 100 metres, heads a track team picked today to compete in a meeting at Copenhagen on Sept. 22-23.

McCrquodale will run the 100 metres. Others in the team are John Archer, 100 and 200 metres; John Wilkinson, 200 metres; L.C. Lewis, 400 metres; H.J. Parlett, 800 metres; and Doug Wilson, 1500 metres.—Associated Press.

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